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[PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.]

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.  
April 11, CLAYMORE, British steamer, 1,938, ex A. Craig, Woosung 8th April. General—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
April 12, ACTIS, Danish str., 325, Roskilde, Pakhol 7th April, and Holloway 10th, General—ARNHOLD, KARLSEN & Co.  
April 12, FORMOSA, British steamer, 1,871, P. Hall, Tamsui 8th April, Amoy 10th, and Swatow 11th, General—DOUGLAS, LIA, FRAK & Co.  
April 12, AMOK, British steamer, 815, Kohler, Whampoa 12th April, Ballast—SIEMSEN & Co.  
April 12, AVA, French steamer, 1,219, Vincent Marceau 11th March, Alexandria, Port Said, Suez, Aden, Colombo, Singapore, and Saigon 9th April, Mails and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE.  
12TH APRIL.  
Mount, British str., for Swatow.  
Deutzen, German str., for Bangkok.  
Gekong, British str., for Saigon.  
Yangtze, British str., for Shanghai.  
H. E. Topley, British bark, for Sandakan.  
Borneo, British str., for Yokohama.  
Kung-pao, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
Duster, British S.m.sch., for Yap.

## DEPARTURES.

April 12, HAIKHONG, British str., for Saigon.  
April 12, STAR QUEEN, British bark, for Man-tung.  
April 12, TRYVA, German str., for Choofoo.  
April 12, SOOCHOW, British str., for Holloway.  
April 12, YANGTZE, British str., for Shanghai.  
April 12, DENTON, British str., for Yokohama.  
April 12, MONGKUT, British str., for Bangkok.  
April 12, KUNG-PAO, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
April 12, GELORNO, British str., for Saigon.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.  
For Formosa, etc., from Tamsui, &c.—Messrs. Rose, Barron, Unsworth, and 50 Chinese.  
For Adets, str., from Pakhol, &c.—32 Chinese.  
For Amoy, 10th April, General—From Marcellis, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Marcellis.  
Avold, A. Baines, Heath, and W. Haworth, From Colombo—Mr. G. R. Darbyshire.  
From Madras—Mr. J. Husan, From Singapore—Mr. and Mrs. O. Paton, Messrs. Lassen, Kian Hong, and Kian Long, and 9 Chinese. From Saigon—Messrs. G. Somerville, and J. P. Sang, and 30 Chinese. For Shanghai—From Marcellis, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Marcellis, and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. de la Poerier, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jaeger, Chelobitoff, W. White, Cramie, W. G. Gordon, and John Inlay, and Miss Marie Fleary. From Port Said—Rev. Fraulein Strohl From Colombo—Baron de Gubraun, and Mr. W. V. Sefton. From Singapore—Mr. K. T. Gordon. From Saigon—Mr. Gilbert, For Kobe—From Marselles—Sister St. Bernardin, St. Mathias, St. Firmin, St. Antoine, and Mr. De Launay. For Xiamen—Mr. and Mrs. Messers. T. T. Morris, Drury, Pittet, P. Schiro, S. D. Niva, S. G. Niva, Kenevot, Th. Sulky, and Shih. From Alexandria—Mr. and Mrs. Elman and Infant. From Colombo—Mr. R. F. Trevishiel. From Saigon—M. and Mrs. Ogilvie and infant, M. and Mrs. Dumoulin, Messrs. Morland, Reynard, Oliver, Gordon, and J. Baer, and 1 Chinese.

## REPORTS.

The Danish steamer ACTIS, from Pakhol 7th April, and Huchow 10th, reports had fresh N.E. winds with rain.

The British steamer CLAYMORE, from Woosung 8th April, reports from Woosung to Ockoon had light variable winds with thick foggy weather; thence to port moderate N.E. winds and overcast weather. In Amoy straights Nankang and Adive. In Swatow straights Fookang, Hoihow, and Hoiwan.

## TO MASON'S.

FOR SALE.  
10 SHARES in HONGKONG MASONIC CLUB.  
1 DEBENTURE BOND for \$100, in Lodge of South China, No. 2013, E.C.  
1 BOND for \$25 in connection with Lodge of South China, No. 2013, E.C.  
For Particulars apply to Mr. M.,  
Cars of Office of this Paper.  
Hongkong, 10th April, 1888. 1723

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd April, 1888, at HALF-PAST TWO o'clock P.M., for the presentation of the Report of the Directors and Accounts to the 31st December, 1887, the declaration of Dividends, the election of Directors, Auditors for the current year, and the transaction of any other Business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Court of Directors  
ALEX. ROSS,  
Secretary,  
Shanghai, 4th April, 1888. 1728

ZETLAND LODGE.  
No. 525.

A N EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREE-MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 14th April, at 4.30 for 5 P.M., precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 10th April, 1888. 1724

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COORDING to the NEW and REDUCED RATES of the STANDARD LIFE OFFICE for China, a Life Policy for \$200 can be effected at the following quarterly rates of premium—

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20 ..... \$2 16 3

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E. W. BUTTER, Manager, Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1888. 1730

## AUCTIONS.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 13th April, 1888, at NOON, at Messrs. HOWARD & CO.'s, 40 Threadneedle Street, (For Account of the CONCERNED),

FT (in square) 258.—4 Sacks—EDOUR

G (in triangle) 233 Sacks FLOUR

MERCHANT

More or less damaged by Sea Water.

Ex Edouard, from San Francisco.

TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer,

Hongkong, 11th April, 1888. 1730

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

UNION LINE,  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM ANTWERP, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"MOSEMAN"

Captain Titkok, having arrived from the above Ports Consignee of Cargo and goods required to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

The steamer is berthed at Kowloon Piers, and Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once loaded and stored at Consignees' expense.

Optional cargo will be forwarded to

Shanghai unless notice to the contrary

is given before NOON, TO-DAY.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 19th instant, or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1888. 1721

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 16th April, 1888, at NOON, on the Premises,

No. 1, Peel Street,

UNDER DISTANTLY FOR RENT AND BILL OF SALE.

THE MACHINERY, &c., OF SHUN YIK ENGINEER'S SHOP,

Comprising—

1 ENGINE, 1 LARGE and 2 SMALL LATHEs, 1 FLY WHEEL, 1 LARGE and 1 SMALL DRILLING MACHINES, 1 CUTTING MACHINE, VICES, AND TOOLS.

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THE STEAMSHIP

"GLENLINEY"

Captain Titkok, having arrived from the above Ports Consignee of Cargo and goods required to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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THE STEAMSHIP

"SPINETTE"

Captain Titkok, having arrived from the above Ports Consignee of Cargo and goods required to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1888. 1721

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883. NOW READY. 1888.  
THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY  
For 1888,  
With which is incorporated  
THE CHINA DIRECTORY.  
(TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL EDITION),  
COMPLETE, WITH APPENDIX, PLANS, &c., &  
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THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY  
has been thoroughly revised and brought up  
to date, and is again much increased in bulk.

It contains DESCRIPTIVE and STATISTICAL  
ACCOUNTS OF, and DIRECTORY FOR  
HONGKONG—TOKIO—PEKING—SHANGHAI—  
CANTON—TAKAO—TAIWAN—KOREA—  
MACAO—CHINA—PAKISTAN—  
HOKKIEN—YOKOHAMA—  
WHAmpoo—  
Canton—  
Amoy—  
Takao—  
Taiwan—  
Tamsui—  
Keelung—  
Fuchow—  
Wenchow—  
Shantung—  
Chinkiang—  
Wulin—  
Kukliang—  
Ichang—  
Chungking—  
Chefoo—  
Takao—  
Amoy—  
Peking—  
Port Arthur—  
Newchwang—  
Cora—  
Seoul—  
Jedchun—  
Fuan—  
Kasan—  
Japan—  
Nagasaki—  
NAVAL SQUADRONS—  
British—  
United States—  
Japanese—  
SHIPPIING—Officers of the Royal Engineers of  
P. & O. S. Co.—  
Japan S. Co.—  
China S. Co.—  
Dongas S. Co.—  
China M. S. Co.—  
Steamers—  
The LIST OF RESIDENTS now contains  
the names of  
FOURTEEN THOUSAND AND FIVE HUNDRED  
FORERS—  
arranged under the Alphabet in the sixteenth  
order, the initials as well as the surnames  
being alphabetical.

The MAPS and PLANS have been mostly  
engraved in a superior style and brought up  
to date. They now consist of  
FLAGS OF MERCANTILE HOUSES IN CHINA,  
CODE OF SIGNALS IN USE AT VICTORIA PEAK,  
MAP OF THE FAR EAST,  
MAP OF THE CHINA OF HONGKONG,  
PLAN OF MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, VICTORIA,  
PLAN OF YOKOHAMA,  
PLAN OF MANILA,  
PLAN OF SAIGON,  
PLAN OF TOWN AND ENVIRONS OF SINGAPORE,  
PLAN OF GEORGE TOWN, PENANG.

Among the other contents of the book are—  
An Astro-Chinese Calendar, Mean of Barometer  
and Thermometer, Rainfall, &c.  
A full Chronology of remarkable events since  
the advent of foreigners to China and Japan.  
A description of Chinese Festivals, Fast, &c.,  
with the days on which they fall.  
Comparative Tables of Money, Weights, &c.  
Scale of Hongkong S. Co.—  
Postage and Freight Guide for 1888.  
Tables of Commissions and Charges adopted by  
the Chambers of Commerce of Hongkong,  
Shanghai, Amoy and Newchwang.  
Hongkong Chair, Jirikisha, and Boat Hire.

The APPENDIX consists of—  
FOUR HUNDRED PAGES  
of closely printed matter, to which reference is  
constantly made by residents, and those  
having commercial or political relations with the  
Countries embraced within the scope of  
THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY.

The Contents of the Appendix are too numerous  
to recapitulate in an Advertisement, but  
include—

TREATIES WITH CHINA—  
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Orders in Council for Government of H.B.M.—  
In the year 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886,  
1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894,  
Rules of H.B.M. Supreme and other Courts  
in China and Japan  
Tables of Consular Fees  
Code of Civil Procedure, Hongkong  
Table of Hongkong Court Fees  
Admiralty Rules  
Foreign Jurisdiction Act

Rules of the Consular Courts of United  
States in China  
Rules of Court of Consuls at Shanghai  
Chinese Passenger Act

TRADE REGULATIONS—  
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Customs Seizure, China  
Customs and Harbour Revenue for the dif-  
ferent ports of China, Philippines, Siam, &  
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Port Regulations  
&c., &c.

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MANILA—Messrs. Diaz Piatres & Co.  
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*Daily Press* Office, January 1888.

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HAVE JUST RECEIVED THREE

ANNUAL SUPPLY OF

LAWN GRASS SEED,

AND

SWEET CORN

FOR IMMEDIATE SOWING.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1887.

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DEATH.

On the 2d March, at his residence, The Grove, Greenwich, Liverpool, Alexander Hartman, formerly of China.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 13TH, 1888.

In view of the projected reclamation of the foreshore in Hongkong and the discussion of the conditions under which it is to be carried out, some local interest attaches to a judgment recently delivered by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on an appeal from the Straits Settlements.

Mr. Wm. Russel, the plaintiff, was the owner of the leasehold of a plot of land, which, at the time of the granting of the lease, was bounded by the sea. But the land gained upon the sea at this point, and in course of time a considerable deposit was formed in front of the plot, pushing back the sea and leaving an extent of open uncovered ground.

Reclamation works were undertaken, which put the plaintiff's lot off from the sea. He thereupon commenced litigation by a petition of right, in which he claimed \$40,000

from the Government on account of damage done to his tenement. His case was that free communication between his plot of land and the sea was of great importance to his business, and that whereas he was previously in enjoyment of such communication, the works of the Government had cut it off.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court held that the petitioner could recover damages, which were afterwards assessed at \$35,000. The Attorney-General appealed, but the Court of Appeal agreed with the Chief Justice. He now appealed further from their decree. The result was that the appeal was dismissed with costs. Various legal points are discussed in the judgment, but the only ones of local interest are the following:—"First, it was contended that [the plaintiff's] right to use the foreshore as an access to the sea was no greater than the right of any other of the public, and that it gave him no ground of action. To this it was answered, that, with respect to riparian owners on tidal rivers, the contrary rule was laid down in Lyon v. The Fishmongers' Company, and that for this purpose no distinction can be taken between a tidal river and the sea. Both the Courts below were of this opinion, and their Lordships concur in it. Indeed, it was not seriously combated at this bar on the part of the Government." The second point to which we will call attention is the terms on which the reclamation was made. An agreement was made on the 29th November, 1886, between the Government and the steamer *Solo Pofo*, with miss, fo, from San Francisco to the 24th ultimo, has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for this port yesterday.The Superintendent informs us that the P. & O. steamer *Moles*, with the next outward English mail left Singapore on Wednesday, the 11th instant, at 11 a.m., for this port.The Agent informs us that the O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Solo Pofo*, with miss, fo, from San Francisco to the 24th ultimo, has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for this port yesterday.

The remaining events of the Government Five Bricks competition which had to be postponed on account of the weather, will take place this morning at ten o'clock, at the back of the City Hall.

It is stated by a Ceylon contemporary that the Chartered Bank of India, China, and Australia has declared a dividend of 10 per cent per annum, and carried forward 25,000, besides adding \$25,000 to the reserve fund.

The return shooting match between a team of the Northamptonshire Regiment and a team from the Garrison and Police Shooting Club, took place yesterday afternoon at the Kowloon range, with the result that the Club team beat the Regiment by 38 points.

Considerable progress was made yesterday at the Hongkong Hotel in removing the debris caused by the late accident. The billiard room has been partially cleared of the rubbish which fell in there, and the trunk and property of Mr. Weston and Mr. Domingos, the occupants of the bedrooms which collapsed, have been recovered.

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Some time ago it was announced that human footprints in rocks had been discovered in America. At this week's meeting of the Victoria Institute a report, with a photograph, from one of its geological members resident in this district, was read, stating that researches showed them to be imprinted in anciently deposited lava, and in some cases the imprints were those of people wearing curiously made sandals or moccasins.

At a recent meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Mr. Lindenthal described a design for a bridge over the River Hudson, to have the unprecedeted span of 2,850 feet. His proposal is for a six-track stiffened suspension bridge, carrying a roadway 145 feet above high water, having a total length of 6,000 feet, and will be built on two piers, the two piers being braced together by triangular bracings in the bridge at the Schinrich system at Vienna.

"Boulangisme" is to have its journal, which will appear shortly in Paris. As a sign of the times on which France has fallen, the new venture is remarkable. The approaching elections give it importance, and the recent vote for General Delescluse, the military power, founded by the Radical Republic, is a sign of the Government's principles are easily broken up (no. 1). The election of the President of the Republic by the nation, and (2) A single deliberative assembly. The name of the new journal is to be "La Coquarde," its price is to be one sou, and its principle is to be war against "the parliamentarism which is ruining France."

I don't know what is coming to "children in society." It seems as though the child of a child is becoming as extinct as the bird. At a juvenile party the other night, a boy of nine was asked why he was not dancing? His reply was, "Aw—I am not a dancing man." Another small boy said, "I am not going to dance with those kids," but thought that if the hostess (aged forty) would take a turn with him, he would be persuaded to join the dancers. A youth of twelve, whom I had taken in my arms, said, "I am not dancing now." Another boy said, "I said 'no' just after the room, when her mother interfered. I cannot imagine what her motive in separating us could have been."

The delays in the construction of the Panama Canal, and the enormous sums of money which have been expended on the work which has so far been carried out, will bring many people out of France to arrive at the conclusion that M. de Lassus' scheme will ultimately break down. For years past occasional paroxysms have also been seen in connection with the Niemeyer Canal; but, according to Mr. Vangard, the British Consul at Grenada, "certainly the general opinion there is that so serious work has been done, that the contract between the Niemeyer Government and Mr. A. G. Menocal, the representative of the Niemeyer Canal Association in New York, which was signed last April, stipulates for the fortification of \$20,000 if work is not begun within a certain time, and this money was duly deposited with the Government."

The idea of converting Park into a port is by no means dead, though it has been abandoned for some time past. It is chosen as the name seems to be for inviting French capitalists to invest in a fresh canal scheme, the prospects of a project for bringing the sea and the ships that ride on it up to Bercy has just been distributed among the French deputies, forty-seven of whom figure in the list of the promoters of the enterprise. The canals by which they propose to reach Park are the sea to be one and a half the breadth of the Seine, and about nineteen feet in depth. They propose to have the fullest confidence in the success of the undertaking, and do not demand anything in the nature of a Government guarantee or guarantee. All they ask is the right to levy a toll of so much a ton on every vessel using the canal, and if it is conceded they declare themselves ready to begin on the work of excavation at once.

Lord Colin Campbell has failed again in his effort to get a certificate that his bankruptcy was caused by misfortune without any misconduct on his part. He is therefore disqualified from sitting on Committees in the House of Lords or on any Committee there; (b) being elected to, or sitting or voting in, the Commons, or on any Committee thereof; (c) being appointed or acting as a justice of the peace; (d) being elected or holding the office of mayor, alderman, or councillor; (e) being elected or holding the office of guardian of the poor, overseer of the poor, or master of a sanitary authority; (f) being elected to a school board, highway board, burgh board, or a similar body; Justice Foy said, "The guiding notion underlying this legislation seemed to be that he who had made shipwreck of his own affairs was not fit to be trusted with the guidance of other people's affairs."

In the West Indies much interest is felt in an alleged successful use of cocaine in the promotion of sugar-making on the West Coast as a new sugar-making agent. It is claimed that its addition to the juice prior to striking, at the rate, it is understood, of about a pint to the ton, produces an enormously increased return of sugar from the massetone. Abnormally high figures have been given for the increase; but the Colonies and India says—After making every allowance for untrained time, the amount of true experimental conditions, it would appear that the results are really excess from its use. As a chemical action would be likely to occur this advantage probably lies in the ability to concentrate the massetone further than under ordinary conditions, the lubricating influence of the oil facilitating the striking of the pan, and preventing the granules boiling at the finish. Nothing is heard of its use in making yellow sugar, and experiments will have to show whether for the colour, taste, and smell of the sugar will be influenced by it."

There are few modern statues more generally known than Signor Focardi's highly popular group called "You Dirty Boy!" This sculptor has a number of companion figures, to be called "The Clean Boys," which is scarcely likely. I should imagine to assess as one of the former, one previously named. Approval of the former, the Photographic News states that the expression of agony on the dirty boy's face which Focardi has so cleverly reproduced in the marble was studied from the life, thanks to a method which aids the realism of the expression unmissable. The model, a real London "gimp," was, it is asserted, taught to assume the time and severely enough, to assume the facial expression of his physical disfigurement. But it should be added, in justice to Signor Focardi, that the plinths were not considered normal incidents of the "models" sitting, but were frankly treated as "extras" and paid for as such. Sixpence per pinch was the tariff price, and it is on record that the models' price was not advanced more frequently.

Another good story of Mr. Grossmith's early experience is given in a London paper. A gentleman sent his son to arrange time and terms for an evening entertainment. Just before taking leave of Mr. Grossmith, after a satisfactory interview, the young gentleman inquired, "Oh, what is Mr. Grossmith, my father?" "He is a very rich man, and a well-known person, you would like to be received?" "Oh, what foolishness! Oh, well, why like an ordinary guest, I suppose?" replied G. G. in all innocence. Forgetting all about this incident, Mr. Grossmith in due course went to the house in question about a month afterwards, and great was his astonishment on being announced, his host replied at the door, "I am Mr. Grossmith, and I have nearly got you!"

The barometer has gone slightly wrong, and the thermometer is a little off, so as to make reading difficult. The weather is overcast, damp and rather cool during the day.

How do you do? Never having set eyes on the man before, G. G. was somewhat non-plussed, but a wry of winks accompanying the speech enlightened him a little. Then nothing would do but that Grossmith after the entertainment must have a quiet talk with him, and he had suited the return of the Pugilist Son, while at paring the worthy host, having privately given G. G. his cheque, exclaimed aloud for the whole room to hear him. "So glad to have seen you (wink, wink)." It was evident that the good man

had misunderstood Mr. Grossmith's reply to his son, and was under the impression that the professional entertainer shrank from being thought a professional. "And a downright fool fellow he was, you may depend," remarks Mr. Grossmith, as he concludes this piece of reminiscence.

An important Discovery is announced in the Paris *Figaro*, of a valuable remedy for nervous prostration, exhaustion, and premature decay. The discovery was made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable existence and an early grave. We learn that the Rev. Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will send the prescription free of charge, on receipt of a self-addressed stamped envelope.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 12th April.

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Bank Bills at 30 days' sight ..... 30¢.

Bank Bills at 4 months' sight ..... 30¢.

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OS PARAS.

Bank Bills on demand ..... 37½.

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EXTRACTS.  
DREAMS IN RELATION TO  
BLINDNESS.

The ordinary characters of a dream are familiar to most men and women from childhood upwards. Its explanation is still to some extent obscure, and will probably remain always subject more or less to the uncertainties of physiological speculation. We may take it, however, as a fundamental proposition that natural sleep is for the mind and the general nervous system rest, as wakefulness is action; and we may conveniently describe the dreaming state as an effort of the mind to express itself, to crystallise its impulses in an intermediate chaos of vague restlessness. This indefinite activity again, indicating as it does mere brain irritation, may baffle the product of impression which force themselves on the sensorium from without, or of disturbing changes, chemical or physical, which primarily affect the cerebral centres themselves. In either variety of unrest, the mind, accustomed when awake to piece together its decisions, may in its troubled repose plan and build up the "baseless fabric" of a dream. In nightmare we have an unmistakable instance of peripheral causation, while delirium is alive with the phantoms created in a disordered sensorium. To this latter class we may most fitly refer the fancies which arise out of worry or disease, while the drowsy reveries of persons generally healthy may usually be ascribed to the action of some form of external irritation. A statistician who has occupied himself with this subject tells us that the blind are, on the whole, less liable to dream than the seeing; and if we assume, as we reasonably may, that the cases compared by him were those of persons in ordinary health, we have here an observation which also, in a somewhat different sense, tends to support the peripheral view of dream causation. In saying this, we do not mean to assert that the stimulus which provokes a dream is commonly conveyed through the sense of vision, but rather that the imaginative faculty which becomes abnormally active at such times, necessarily implies for the vividness of its creative efforts, a certain familiarity with form, colour, and other objective qualities, which is to most blind persons an impossibility. The mind in them is comparatively constricted within itself, and, with the obliteration of that function which more than any other connects man with the outer world, is likely to maintain by night as well as by day, a quiescent attitude. Other senses remain and are exaggerated, but these afford less information for the creative faculty, and are consequently less liable to become the paths of dream stimuli.—Lancet.

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